Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 15 Dec 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 16 Dec 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 15 Dec 2021 at 03:27 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a bright day Wednesday. Then high for dry and settled conditions thereafter but low for extent of any low cloud on a daily basis.

Headline for Wednesday 15 Dec 2021: Early low cloud, then dry and bright. Cold and windy.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 15 Dec 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Cloudy	Sunny	Sunny	Clear night	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
50%	20%	00%	00%	00%	10%

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Weather: Early low cloud and rain will clear away east by mid-morning, then the rest of daylight hours will be dry and sunny.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 90%

Visibility: Poor in low cloud down to 400 metres quite widely at first, this steadily clearing by mid-morning. Then very good visibility with little in the way of low cloud expected.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	50/65 SW	43/57 W	37/49 W	35/46 W	33/43 W	26/34 SW	22/28 SW
900	46/55 SW	37/45 SW	30/38 W	26/33 SW	27/33 SW	20/25 SW	15/20 SW
600	31/40 SW	27/34 SW	20/28 SW	18/25 SW	15/23 SW	13/18 SW	8/12 SW
300	13/32 SW	14/30 SW	10/23 SW	9/21 SW	5/17 SW	5/14 SW	4/10 SW
Glen	6/28 SW	4/23 SW	6/22 W	5/21 SW	4/21 SW	4/15 SW	4/13 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	2/-8	2/-6	-0/-9	-1/-10	-1/-9	0/-7	1/-5
900	6/-1	6/-1	3/-3	3/-4	3/-4	3/-2	4/-1
600	8/3	8/3	6/1	5/1	5/0	5/2	5/3
300	8/5	9/6	8/5	7/4	6/4	5/3	5/3
Glen	9/6	10/8	9/6	8/6	6/5	6/4	6/4
Freezing Level*	2000m	1700m	1100m	1000m	1200m	1400m	1700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note the significant drop in freezing level in the morning with a risk of icy surfaces developing. Remaining windy at height significant wind chill.

Forecast for Thursday 16 Dec 2021
Weather: Low cloud and patchy rain expected at first. This clearing in the morning to leave most of the day dry with some sunshine. Low cloud may return to western ranges later in the afternoon.

Maximum wind: Southwesterly 25 to 30 mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60%, the east seeing the best of the cloud breaks.

Visibility: Poor in widespread low cloud down to 500 to 700 metres at first, this mainly thinning in the morning before returning western ranges later on.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4 rising to 8 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 3 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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